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For: **Modular Protein Libraries and
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Reply

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In Response to the Official Action of November 29, 2001, issued with respect to the present application, the time for responding to which has been extended by the accompanying Request for an Extension of Time, Applicants herewith submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments

In The Claims:

Please amend Claims 28-30 and 32-35 to read as follows:

- F-1 sub 01
- 28. **[Three Times Amended]** A method of producing a cross-over protein that contains at least one peptide segment whose sequence is derived from a first protein and at least one peptide segment whose sequence is derived from a second protein, wherein said second protein has an amino acid sequence that is different from that of said first protein, and wherein each of said peptide segments possesses an N-terminal amino acid residue and a C-terminal amino acid residue, said method comprising: